the export obligation despite its best efforts.

Fraud in Calcutta Branch of Hongkong: Bank

1144. SHRI SANTOSH BAGROD-IA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of fraud in the Calcutta branch of Hongkong bank in June, 1991;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have been able to arest the culprits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd. have reported to the Reserve Bank of India that a fraud was detected in one of the accounts maintained at its Calcutta branch. The fraud ha$_s$ been committed by one of the employees of the acocunt holder.

(c) The account holder has lodged a police complaint.

Action against HMT and Private Par. ties for violating customs laws.

1145. SHRr SANTOSH BAGROD-IA: DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1036 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th March, 1991 and state what follow up action has been taken by the customs authorities against the parties which sold the smuggled wrist watch parts and components to Mls HMT Limited as also against the company for violating the customs laws?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): Show Cause Notices have been issued under[1] the Customs Act, 1962, in respect of the parties found to be involved in the deal. Show Cause Notices-. have also been issued on M[s HMT Limited and its subsidaries. Adjudication proceedings are in progress. In respect of units of Mls HMT at Rani. bagh (UP) and Tumkur (Karnataka) investigations are in progress.

Children addicted to brown sugar in, Babulda

1146. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRO-DIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that even children are addicted to brown sugar in Babulda (Mandsaur District) Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to save the children of this village and in other parts of the country from addiction to brown sugar?

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THE MINSTER OF WELFARE. (SHRI SIT A RAM KESRI): (a) to, (c) Information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Additionality criteria for eounter trade with Mis. Bofors

1147. DR. YELAMANCHILT SIVA-JI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 856 given in the.. Rajya Sabha on 3rd January 1991 and state:

(a) the list of commodities specified under the new addionality criteria for counter trade with Mls. Bofors; and

(b) what additionality has been recorded against Rs. 516 crores worth of exports already made upto 31st